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**PATENT** 

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Ke Wen DONG et al.

Serial No. 09/252,828

Group Art Unit: 1641

Filed: February 19, 1999

Examiner: David J. VENCI

For:

RECOMBINANT BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE HUMAN ZONA PELLUCIDA

PROTEINS 3 (hZP3) TO TEST MALE FERTILITY

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004 for three months, from October 1, 2004 to January 1, 2005.

Please charge the \$490.00 fee to cover the cost of the extension to Deposit Account No. 08-0219. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

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